FULL TEXT – CHARTER QUESTION #9

I. Amend RCH Section 6-207. "Liquor Commission —" (to take effect July 1, 2007)

Section 6-207. Liquor Commission --

The organization and the duties and functions of the liquor commission of the City and County of Honolulu shall be as provided by law, except that the commission shall be attached to the department of budget and fiscal services. The positions of liquor administrator, deputy liquor administrator, and one secretary, shall be exempt from civil service in accordance with Section 6-1103, and shall be appointed and may be removed in accordance with this section.

The liquor commission shall appoint and may remove a liquor administrator, who shall serve as the administrative head of the commission staff and shall be subject to the policies and directions of the commission.

The liquor administrator may appoint and may remove a deputy liquor administrator who shall serve as the first deputy to the administrator, and may appoint and may remove a secretary in the exempt position.

The liquor administrator may hire and may remove other staff in accordance with applicable law. The salaries of the staff shall be set in accordance with applicable law.

II. Create new subsection (k) to RCH Section 6-1103. "Civil Service and Executive Branch Exemptions—" (to take effect July 1, 2007)

Section 6-1103. Civil Service and Executive Branch Exemptions --

The provisions of this chapter of the charter shall apply to all positions in the service of the executive branch. This section shall apply to semi-autonomous agencies as though they are departments of the executive branch. The following positions shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter of the charter:

- (a) Positions of officers elected by public vote; positions of heads of departments; the position of the band director of the Royal Hawaiian Band; the position of the manager and chief engineer of the board of water supply and the manager of any semi-autonomous agency created by ordinance.
- (b) Positions in the office of the mayor, but such positions shall be included in the position classification plan. Employees of the civil defense agency and Royal Hawaiian Band, other than the band director, shall not be exempted from civil service.
- (c) Positions of deputies of the corporation counsel, deputies and administrative or executive assistants of the prosecuting attorney and law clerks.
 - (d) Positions of members of any board, commission or equivalent body.
 - (e) Positions of a temporary nature filled by students.
- (f) Personal services obtained by contract where the director has certified that the service is special or unique, is essential to the public interest and that, because of circumstances surrounding its fulfillment, personnel to perform such service cannot be obtained through normal civil service recruitment procedures. Any such contract may be for any period not exceeding one year.

- (g) Personal services of a temporary nature needed in the public interest where the need for the same does not exceed one year, but before any person may be employed to render such temporary service, the director of human resources shall certify that the service is of a temporary nature and that recruitment through normal civil service recruitment procedures is not practicable.
- (h) Personal services performed on a fee, contract or piecework basis by persons who may lawfully perform their duties concurrently with their private business or profession or other private employment, if any, and whose duties require only a portion of their time, where it is impracticable to ascertain or anticipate the portion of time devoted to the service of the city and when such fact is certified to by the director of human resources.
- (i) Positions of one first deputy; and for the Honolulu Police Department one additional deputy; private secretaries to heads of departments and their deputies; and the position of managing director, one first deputy and private secretaries to each; but private secretarial positions shall be included in the position classification plan. The first deputy in the department of human resources, however, shall not be exempt from civil service.
- (j) Positions or personal services in demonstration programs and joint participation and special projects which serve the community; provided that such exemptions are required by federal law or rules and regulations and then in accordance with procedures established by ordinance.
- (k) Positions in the liquor commission of the liquor administrator, the deputy liquor administrator, and one secretary, but such positions shall be included in the position classification plan.

The director of human resources shall determine the applicability of this section of the charter to specific employment or services in the executive branch.

III. Create new RCH Section 16-___. "Transition Provisions for Liquor Administrator and Deputy Liquor Administrator —" (to take effect upon approval)

<u>Section 16-</u> . Transition Provisions for Liquor Administrator and Deputy Liquor Administrator --

- 1. The civil service positions of the liquor administrator and of the deputy liquor administrator of the liquor commission shall be abolished as of the end of the day, June 30, 2007.
- <u>2.</u> Effective July 1, 2007, the positions of the liquor administrator and the deputy liquor administrator shall be established in the liquor commission and shall be exempt from civil service.
- 3. Any employee holding a permanent civil service appointment on June 30, 2007 to the position of the liquor administrator of the liquor commission or to the position of deputy liquor administrator shall be afforded such rights under civil service rules as are applicable to those whose civil service position has been abolished. Nothing in this section shall be construed as disqualifying such individuals from appointment after June 30, 2007 to the position of liquor administrator or deputy liquor administrator.

<u>4.</u> <u>The liquor commission may select an individual for the exempt civil service position of liquor administrator prior to July 1, 2007, but the appointment to such position shall not take effect until July 1, 2007 or thereafter.</u>

Create new section in RCH Article XVI:

Section 16- . Effective Date of Revisions -

All provisions of the amendments to the charter of the City and County of Honolulu, approved on November 7, 2006, shall become effective as of the second day of January 2007, except as otherwise provided.